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RECORDATION OF SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW


Sir:

The Applicant hereby records the substance of an Examiner-initiated telephonic interview between David M. Mello and Examiner Spooner on September 7, 2010. The undersigned explained differences over the prior art reference, US Pat. 6,167,370 to Tsourikov *et al.*, such as non-keyword searching and answer generation that completes S-A-O structures, in proposed amendments to the claimed invention. Agreement was not reached on allowability of independent claims 21 and 22. It was agreed that objected to claims 3, 4, 14, and 15 would be allowable if written as independent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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